

1939 January 1 Sunday

Up at 9. Fine day & feel well.

Cleaned house & did some work in yard.

Listened to radio concerts & read papers.

France seems to be advancing toward Barcelona. Ohell-kite.

Some long phones re Council (Police, library) & school.

Made some delicious muffins for dinner & opened a can of soup & ate a piece of Mary's Xmas present of pie (mince with brandy)

Lily Pons sang Shadow Song from Drunkard, reminding me of my youth.

1939 January 7 Saturday

Set alarm last night for 8, knowing I'd be tired, but I wasn't, & woke at 7:30 & got up.

Cold night; cool morning; very fine day
glorious ~~Persimmon~~ ~~James~~ Church ~~Sunday~~ from Phila.
Much planning to me re school site,
including Shay, Ford, etc.

Seidewick came in & worked at Cannels.

On Rosenkavalier broadcast from Kitch, with Lehmann.

At 2:30 with Mandrley to Hutton site
& went all over canyon side. Such land,
such gorgeous views & beautiful slopes.

Oh Shay, can't you see?

Got a 50 cent roll of mutton & roasted it
with vegs. Good for 3-4 days.

Tacamin back with W.D.C. Smith. Thought
the Hoffman & Meistersinger venture.

Log fire & read till 11.

Gov. Olson pardoned Momey this morning,
thus showing himself superior to 5 Republican gov.

Roosevelt's Jackson Day speech very interesting.

1939 January 8 Sunday

Up at 8. Warmer & clouding over, but fine day.

Wagner (from Radio City) for breakfast.

She Stoops to Conquer is a most excellent play but it needs the costumes & manners, even tho the lines are good over radio.

Elij Schumann sang Non So Più Cosa Son & Voi Cherlapète, two heavenly arias from M. of Fijano.

The Loyalists are pushing back the Rebels from Madrid, which somewhat equalizes the Franco advance in Barcelona.

Duke program by N.Y. Philharmonic under Barckhoff

At 2 a meet of School Advising group (our division!) & learned Prof Ford had got a new proposal from Flanders which should settle all difficulties - if they agree.

"Four Daughters" at Camel Theatre

1939 January 9 Monday

Up at 7:30 on a cold morning. Clear fine day; cool evening.

Said worked at Cannels doing small unfinished things.

Tumble over school site, Flanders not giving anything in writing. Also layed ad in evening Ad. saying vote no on forming district - which would mean no schooling for a whole year for pupils. Van Riper ran rival ad. saying vote yes.

Ogden paid remaining $\frac{1}{2}$ of last month's rent, which I at once paid to Lou.

Said 2 of Monterey & Oly. for Cannels items - for meet of Monterey History & Art Assoc. re museum.

9 pm. Flanders finally has come through with his signed offer.

1939 January 10 Tuesday

Walt came at 7:30 & put on the lounge
down on studio.

Election to form high school district.
Yes No But Play is still an
enigma.

Fine day. Feel well.

Many phoned in morning. May not
come in Thursday, she says.

I worked most of the day with Leid at
Camels, putting in new sink etc.

Letter from C acknowledging Kene
presents.

Signed affidavit for the "bearded lady"
at La Playa so she could get her £200 annuity

1939 January 11 Wednesday

Cold overcast at 7, turning clear.

Kennedy & Bullitt say to Congress that war is coming before summer.

Van Piper came up to persuade me to be more kind to the Shay set up, but got nowhere. We drove over the approaches & discussed them fully. Charlie still says the 2 sites are equal!!

Worked at Carmelo with Leid for a while, then to school board meet where nothing was done. But after I left it seems they roughly decided to take it easy & get ready for 1940, meantime using Monterey High.

Went over attention plans in Paces Bldg with Ryland, Smith & Kellogg at 4.

Comm. meet at 5.

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Home for a hurried shave & dress & then
to dinner meet of our section of League
of Cal. Municipalities. Excellent meal,
with discussion of traffic problems.
I welcomed the crowd of 50 odd & helped
keep the meet alive. McMenamin presided.
Worton spoke forever.

Paid interest on Camels & paid on principal
Nice note from E & good letter from
Bill.

Trouble with Ogden's elk in Shop 6, thank
to Belvaire.

1939 Jan 12 Thursday

up at 7:30 Cold & overcast,

my lip is split again & I'm mad as hell.

Washed clothes.

Mary came in at 10, & at 11 we went
down to Cannals & worked with Seid till 1,
then home for lunch.

In afternoon to Monterey to renew our
drivers' licenses. They fingerprint us
now. No more numbers.

Got fish on wharf, so had deep-frozen cod
for dinner, with spinach & coffee &
Dutch bread & cottage pudding.

Bitter discussion (in Town Hall) bet.
Jakes & Gannett re freedom of press.

Mozart symph before dinner; and after dinner
La. Phil under Klempner which annoyed Mary.

We stayed by the fire till bed time.

This morning I thought I was going to be sick,
but after dinner I felt much better.

1939 January 13 Friday

Mary ret. to Pobles. She seems very tired.

George & I worked all day at tunnels, getting bathoven & diambro further along. George painted kitchen panels pale yellow which is a decided improvement.

Shakespeare resumed. 1st 1/2 act of the 1st. Good attendance, but we again had to use officer as clerk was rehearsing Kind Lady in the hall.

Felt fine all day.

Shay is entreaching for a fight. Sure, will get it!

1939 January 14 Saturday

up at 7:30. Cool morning. Very fine day.

Young People's Concert at P. N. Y. Phil under
Schelling. Andante of Pastoral beautifully
played; & Mendelssohn Violin Concerto by
Guila Bustabo & orch excellently done.

Don Giovanni from Metrop, with John
Crommer as Don, ^{the} Marieta Farrell as Zerlina,
Sagan as Leporello, Betty
as Anna; & Corts very lively Don Ottavio.
But it's such a heavenly fine opera!

Worked in the afternoon, then to village
& market, & cheer up 2 wanderers who
"knew no one & were lonely".

Made out sales tax report.

Warmed up the fish (as a soup) for dinner.

M.B.C. Symp under Tascorini. Shostakovich
1st & part of Franck's Duo & Psyche.

Spanish govt is hard pressed. Gaily France
& England & U.S. would back to the point of
Fascist victory in Spain!

Walked down to mail sales tax. Very cold
night.

1929 January 15 Sunday

Wet at 7:30. Overcast most of day, & quite cool morning & evening.

Desk work & housework.

many times. She feels all right again

Vanity Fair shop blew out fuses & I had
to go down to replace them.

School for Scandal on air. It's surely
a fine play. For many years I've hoped to
do it in Annals of the Rev. Schubert's hon.

do X ~~in~~ ^{the} Tunnel.
N.Y. Phil under Bachhopfer at noon. Schenker's ^{home}
An hour of Bach beautifully given by
"New Friends of Music", & La Guardia made a
delightful announcement talk.

Then another Bach broadcast by Wallenstein.

charles mcCarthy was very funny.

The new Kellogg Circle was lousy, in spite of Tibbets.

1939 January 16. Monday

Cold overcast morning & clear day
& cold night.

Desk work most of day.

Got a good haircut & feel much better.

Gyffier paid rent.

Ate lunch at Sade's for a change from
my own marvellous cooking.

Tamagone having fallen, the Spanish
Govt is in a grave position.

Opera opens tonight in S.F. — but
Michael will not be in the parade!

1939 January 17 Tuesday

Cold clear day.

Many of us drove in at noon & I went with
Lue to bank where I arranged for a loan of
\$100 for her to pay 1/2 on lot adjoining her
Rablos del Rio place - & prevent someone
else buying it & being too close to her
cottage.

Things look black for Spain - & we
in America will pay for many years for
our stupid neutrality ban against the
Loyalists.

Cleaned elec. shades for Camelo.

Jordan offered city hall back of Library
for \$25,000 which will help kill Pases
deal.

Frankfurter unanimously approved by Senate.
Murphy also but not unanimously.

Bette Davis in The Sisters. Good show; & Bette Davis
fine as always.

1939 January 18 Wednesday

Cold morning; fine day, & warmer in afternoon
& evening.

George & I worked at Camelo.

Council meet in afternoon to decide how
to submit El Paseo proposition to the voters.

Jordan's plan & others not wanted to be considered
by other 4 of Council, tho I felt they should
be. Motion carried for 20 yr bonds (instead
of contract). Art assoc. allowance postponed.

Spanish Govt. has stopped Franco & Italians -
temporarily at least; but France won't open her
border unless England will back her & England
won't. "This coward ^{isle} set in a silver sea —"?

1939 January 19 Thursday

Much warmer today. Rain coming soon.

Neuralgia - or whatever it is - in my left side & back - in night & this morning.

Worked in yard in forenoon.

Kat Whitman has sub-let studio to fencing club for Tuesday nights. This is bad, & I must find a way to stop it. I told her it would crack plaster below.

She paid her rent today, & I also got my check for Shakespeare, & Luntz (who has been sick) phoned me to call for apt. rent tomorrow.

Good short talk by Bowden on Town Hall broadcast. The Civil Liberties man, with whose opinions I agree, was dull.

Rochester Phil. & St. Lynde in evening. Feel better tonight.

1939 January 20 Friday

Warmer day, but cold tonight

Washed 7 pairs pants!

Intens hard work.

Confab at F.T. with Vincent Duffy re lighting equipment. Also Carl Rohr.

Told Kit Whitman fencing class could not be held in studio. She took it well, as she's a fine person.

She said Osher had never been in the Art Institute & the lunch that was the Art Assoc have ignored her school almost completely!

Composed song for dinner.

Neuralgia (?) tonight.

Shakespeare group at Green Room. Finished As You Like It.

Mary showed in morning. She'll be in Monday.

1939 January 21 Saturday

Slept better, but didn't get up till 8.

Warm, slightly overcast.

Beckdelot began to think Bob Norton should be fired.

Simon Boccardo from Metrop.
(Talbot, Pingo, Rethberg).

Confab with Mandersley re city hall, & later
with Ryland re 2nd story plan.

Warmed up the rest of the canned soup
for dinner & listened to Toscanini & NBC
Symph.

Rheumatism nearly gone.

Spanish Govt in still worse situation, tho
they've recaptured Aguas de.

Spiller will be one year behind on his
payments on Feb 1. (& 2 yrs. taxes).

Big airliner (N.Y. - Bermuda) down in ocean.

1939 January 22 Sunday

Dull & overcast

Plenty Mozart after breakfast.

10 of 13 aboard airliner Cavalier saved
after about 10 hrs on life belts in water.

Washed clothes, & ironed the 7 pc pants I
washed day before yesterday.

All Tchaikovsky program by N.Y. Phil
under Barbirolli.

An hour of Bach by New Friends of Music
& then 1/2 an hr. more by Wallenstein's group.

Had an excellent dinner, & read till 11.

1939 January 27 Friday
up at 7:30. It had rained a little in
the night.

Banned rubbish.

Called meet of high school com. at Kellogg's
for 4:30, at which it was decided to have 3
former trustees ask Graham to refrain
from signing for Paradise Park before a
general meet.

Rained hard in afternoon, but not
long. Sudden hard showers at night,
while Shakespeare group was reading.
We had a log fire in Green Room, but it
was cold anyway.

Paid F.H.A. interest & deposited \$5 for loan.
Many phoned.

1939 January 28 Saturday

af & P. Cool & clear.

N.Y. Phil Children's Concert, under Schelling.

Cooked a small roast of lamb with many
vegg; & baked apples, stewed apples, prunes.
These will last 3 days.

"Louise" from Interop, with Grace Moore,
Rene Maistre & Eino Pienzo; but I switched
at 1:30 to hear Chamberlain's speech. It
might have seemed calm & considerable
& wise - if one didn't know the facts
and what has happened in the past year.

Sorted papers into boxes.

Maxim Shand thought that Shay was
so mad he might just kill it though. He's
a genuine Fascist.

Toscanini conducted N.Y.C. orch. as
usual. Poor reception.

Late dinner, after which I finished
"Remembering Langston". Story simple &
moving short novel.

1929 January 29 Sunday

ay & I on a dull overcast day,
with rain in afternoon & long steady
rain at night.

Stayed home all day & read & listened
to music & sorted papers & cooked.

Radio City Symphony for lunch: Liszt's
#3, Liebermann's from T & I & Ravel's Spanish
Rhapsody, Beethoven's 7th by N.Y. Phil under
Cresco. New Friends of Music: Stud. O +
gamba & harpsichord: Haydn #5 in F & #5 1
of 64 in D, also 2 Bar sonatas for gamba &
harpsichord.

The mutton, warmed over, was sweet &
tender & fine. Why, I don't know.

Mary phoned at noon.

Ptítol & tragic exodus from Catalonia
to France.

1939 January 30 Monday

Up at 8:15. Damp & dreary morning.
Cleared up later & then rain again at 4.

Hitler spoke at the Reichstag for 2 hrs.
20 m. Much calmer than his speech
re Czechoslovakia had left; but full
of scorn for democracy, hatred of Jews,
& full support of Italy.

To see Graham, re high school site,
with Mrs Kellogg & Mrs Garrison. He
agreed not to pull any sudden tricks.

Met of Carmel Players board of directors
at 5.

1939 February 3 Friday

Up early. Cleared after rain, but
more coming.

Tom came at 7:20 & stacked
logs & dug ditch from basement.

I worked with him a while & then
to village.

Paid interest on 7A Bldg & \$50 of
principal.

Shakespeare group at 8. Small
crowd of weather. Heavy rain
in gusts while reading; but we
had a good log fire & were comfortable.

Conf. with Buckholt (mod as a
met here re Barrett) & Watson, but
all calmed down later.

1939 February 4 Saturday

up at 7:30 on a fine day, tho a bit damp for outside work.

Tom & I finished main drains for basement.

DeBack paid rent. Ogden & Yates not paid.

Aida from Metrop, with Gigli as Phadamas — his first role since he left because of unwilling to sing during depression for only 75,000 a year.

Toscanini & NBC. orchestra played Mozart's Symph #38 with my dinner.

To Camel Th. to see The Young in Heart (Gaynor, Fairbanks Jr., Billie Burke & the perfect Roland Young & whoever it was that played the old lady). Very sweet light work & a well spent evening.

Polme, Consterk & Said on city hall plans.

1939 February 5 Sunday

Left through the alarm, & up at 8:45.
Very fine clear day, but cold.

Outside of a few chores I did nothing
but read & listen to music.

— Laurence (of Miter) sang a very
lovely English song & sang it beautifully
& I didn't get the name of it.

Mozart's 39th & Enesco's 1st Symp by H. G.
Phil. under Enesco.

Stradivarius Q played 2 quartets of
Haydn (64, #2 & 50, #6)

General meet of Carmel Players at
8 o'clock, to end series & elect new
board. I declined re-nomination.

1939 February 6 Monday

Rain woke me at 7:15

Cleared at noon.

Mary thmed re "scramms."

Went to Carmelo to check leaks if any.
None, praise Jehovah. But Leid has
not put on the next coat of paint on
bath floor.

Leads again in S # 1.

Mussolini says he'll not get out
Spain. Now maybe Chamberlain &
Daladier will be surprised. No?

S.E. Spain is practically lost —
and the Pres. & others back with
Cepeda.

Mr. & Mrs. C.W. Lee celebrate their
golden wedding at La Ribera. Stayed over
2 hrs. & had good talks with many very

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interesting persons, particularly
Lionel Belmont & Rowland Lee.

Meeting of Planning Group at
Kelloggs at 8, to discuss parking problem
at foot of Ocean Ave.

And after all, why in hell
shouldn't we sell planes to France?

Rained again this afternoon.

1939 Feb 7 Tuesday

Rained in night & 3 times (downpours)
in day.

Mary phoned & may come in later.

Looked after leaks, house drains,
garbage etc.

Lunch at home.

School board meet at 3, attended
by some 40 militant citizens. I
(among many) spoke of fairness &
democracy & got the big (& only) applause,
the Kellogg & Barrett et al were just
as firm & made Shay lick his lips.
Latham in 2 hours never spoke!
Doris was brave & polite.

Coming home I found Mary
waiting. We had a light supper &
enjoyed a very good evening by a big fire.

1929 February 8 Wednesday

Cold morning. gave Mary check
for Jan (85⁰⁰)

She left after lunch for Pebbles.

Petition meet at Gladys Johnson's.

When they heard ~~Petitioners~~ were
out he suddenly resigned. Gene
came out to tell us as we inspected
city hall possible sites, at 4 pm.

City hall came from 3 to 6. Nice
offer from Petrone, Seidenbach &
Constock + Murphy. The latter has
wished to gain from our building by
the Park — which we won't do &
I can help it! That would ruin
the town, trafficably & other ways.

Excellent turkey dinner at Alpine
Tavern. (4 more there also). Then
rushed to Council meet across street

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at 7:45. Short meeting. Got only
\$100 for art Assoc.

Confab of our group at Dr. Watson's
after council meet. Christy took
Kellogg selected for school
board to replace Hay & Graham.

Shavers in eve.

19.29 February 9 Thursday

Cold day, ending in storm
& night.

Finished drain for vault.

The Pope died suddenly. Announcement
on radio came during Mendelssohn's Italian Symphony!

Pockler bought me a used Ford,
& I planned via grocery to Mary but
she says 17,000 miles & much used.

Wrote to S.F. re loan on ^{my} life insurance
so I can finish payment on Robles
lot.

Ogden can't make a go of it & said
he'd have to leave or use only upstairs.
But Stella says he's already engaged
Gates studio.

Shay & Graham resign. ^{"bulletin"} ~~suddenly~~
in this afternoon Herald.

1939 February 10 Friday

Spent the forenoon on Ogden's rent
biz. Saw lawyer (Shelburn Robison)
& Abernathy at bank. Got Ogden to sign
note for the \$210 he owes. He paid
\$35 on acct. He moves to Yates studio
end of this month.

Mrs. Yates paid 56.67, but she's still
3 months behind & Tenant paid his \$10.
So I won't be overdrawn yet.

P. Core had long editorial re Shea &
his dictator attitude, & didn't like to
throw it away even tho' Shay has quit,
so the printed it anyway. Bassett,
on contrary, whitewashed Shay, & one
not aware of facts would think our side
(which is most of district!) was wrong
shed lost a great representative. This
probably of Van Riper whom Bassett

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depends on for some financial support.

1st 1/2 must add it that evening.
Also ~~fast~~ dropped in on Pursuit of
Happiness rehearsal & read a part
& help out.

Cold evening & night, after
morning rain.

1939 February 11 Saturday

up early, tho it was cold, so I could
hear the Cincinnati Conservatory broadcast
of Mozart & Haydn for breakfast.

Worked outside till 11 & then indoors
while listening to Schubert's Serenade for
metrop. Not extra good.

Warmed up somewhat in daytime.

Various rental & shop affairs.

Warmed up the soup for dinner &
made 2 pans of muffins.

Toscanini conducted NBC Oct in
Bruckner 4th.

Took lunch to the Firemans' Benefit.
Punk autograph Vanderell & playlets.

1939 February 12 Sunday

Lincoln's Birthday. Life has reprints of Civil war cartoons from Punch that show how England felt about Lincoln & the US at that time!

Bright clear cool day, the weather forecast was for one of the worst storms of season, beginning with rain last night! But I'm not complaining.

Good program from Radio City, inc. Strauss' Don Juan. Wallenstein's "L'incantation" gave Handel & al. Barinelli conducted My Phil. Splendid perf. of the Ercia

1939 February 14 Tuesday

Cold in early morn; but clear
good day.

I felt very tired & unfit in
forenoon, & in afternoon not far
from sick.

Mary came in about 4, & was
delighted to wash the dishes & cook
corn muffins.

We went to see Sretta Young & Richard
Green in Kentucky. Machine-made
movie, but nice horses.

1939 February 15 Wednesday

Cold morn; fine day

Mary sewed for me & I took it
easy to hasten my recovery.

Mary ret to Pables in afternoon

I wrote to Bill & walked down to
post the letter & get the mail.

Memorial vol. on Vernon Kellogg
sent me. A very charming & most
efficient gentleman.

1939 February 16 Thursday

up at 8 on a cold bright morning.
Feel much better. Mary phoned &
ask how I was, about 9:30.

Worked outdoors part of morning, spreading
the rich black earth I got from Polo Colorado
Canyon on the flat in front of the studio.

Excellent lunch for 52 cents at Alpine
Tavern.

Gorgeous day.

Informal meet of City Council at 4.
We looked again at White Cedars, & Beck
& Smith (also city attorney & dep city clerk)
approved; but later Kellogg said she'd
resign if we tried to get it. Beck
was foolishly brutal & frank re real
estate brokers & architects & Beers
Conover & got sat on by Smith &
Kellogg, & wasted 1/2 hr of my

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thru this evening showing me of
his position. He's on my side but
I wish he'd fall on a banana peel.

Prunes & toast & coffee for supper
+ Beethoven's 7th Symphony by S.F. Orchestra
under Mantoux.

England prepares to recognize
France.

I feel quite well tonight.

1939 February 17 Friday

Very fine clear day.

up early & worked hard all day,
& conducted Shake group in eve,
& then to Camel Theatre to win \$100
radio (and didn't) Punk show: "Thanks
for Everything."

Griffin & Imbens (apt) paid rent.

Mrs. Souther has sent Oden enough
cash to buy a new car, in which
he has gone to San Diego to visit
his parents. Will I see him if
he doesn't pay that note!

Notified officials of Golden Gate
Expo. that I would not be present
at opening ceremonies.

1939 February 18 Saturday

Fine day. Up early to hear N.Y. Phil
children concert under Schelling.

Not very well. Dry hands & feet
& generally queer. Didn't try to do
much work, except spreading some
earth in garden & washing clothes
& general chores & tenant business.

Sally asked me to dinner but I
preferred to eat lightly & go to bed
early.

Cold windy evening. Read till 10
in the amazing adventures of the
"Enchanted Voyageurs" in Gulf of Calif.
Lots of easy fruit & fish - but too
many bugs & storms for me.

Business seems to be rotten.

Letter from Bill.

Mary Thomed sh'd not be in.

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Fair opened this morning & I'm
glad I wasn't there in the jam.

Toscanini conducted all-Sibelius
program this evening, but reception
was very poor.

Tristan and Isolda (Flagstad & Melchior)
from Munich in morning & early afternoon here.

1939 February 19 Sunday

Tho I went to bed at 10 last night, I didn't hear the alarm & woke at 8:30. Well, I certainly needed a rest.

Read & listened to music most of day, which was warm (for Feb.) & mostly clear.

Wallenstein's orchestra played Negati's lovely E flat symph.

Barbieri's My Ophelia music played Beethoven's 6th not remarkably — tho one can never be sure about radio as cf. to actual perf.

Haydn's 2 in F minor & 2 # 6 of 64 (the latter excellent) by Pro Arte Q on New Friends of Music Hour.

Simple dinner & then to Green Room for meet of Cammel Players. Punk "vanderbilt" show & pleasant meet after.

1939 February 20 Monday
Pain in thighs & nightmare.
Up at 7:30. Clear cool morning.

To village soon after breakfast &
looked over washed out stone stairs at
bank, with Jackson & Whitecomb.

Suggested swim pool in Cort's cave to these
Park Commissioners. They agreed.

Then to White-Colein drainage project.

After Lunch (at Alpine Tavern) I made
out Guffin's income tax report (biz. only).
Book profit of .750 dollars approx.

Feet green in forenoon, but better
after lunch, tho hands icy cold.

Home at 5:30 & worked to be in
garden, took a shower, made a custard
pudding & baked a pan of apples, ate
simple supper & read by fire. Feel
much better.

Franco not too friendly to England & France.
I could have told 'em that!

1939 February 21 Tuesday

Worked on road much of day. Got a load of decomposed granite to fill the ruts & hollows.

Fine warm day.

Anderson found that legal complications made Park site for City Hall almost impossible, which saves me one fight to stop it.

Mrs. Brown says business is rotten in Canada the very good at Delmar.

Had a perfect lunch at Normandy. Sweetbreads, & the best broccoli I ever ate or saw.

1939 February 22 Wednesday

I celebrated Washington's Birthday by working on my road till 1:30. It was a warm & lovely day (quite out of place in February, even in California) and I enjoyed myself very much.

Many of the dogs (some of them) came in on way to church, bringing me fresh eggs.

Cleaned up & went to Old Trainers luncheon at 2 at Pine Inn. Very flat affair. I wish I'd gone to the Country Club dinner this morning instead. I sat with the 3 Joneses & we told funny stories.

Ate an orange for dinner & then to movie. Janet Gaynor in Three Loves Has Nancy.

1939 February 23 Thursday

Raw cold morning. Tom came at 7:30
2 we worked on road & cut tree that
made entrance too narrow.

Mary came in at 5 and we had
a fine dinner of fried oysters &
squid pie & egg nog.

After the meal we listened to Standard
Symph & spent the evening by the fire.

1939 February 24 Friday

up at 7:30 and worked hard all day
with Tom (and Mary tell she ret. to Robles
about 4).

Road, lumber, 79 count & paving blocks,
& ring trimming.

Mary made me some sponge cakes &
corn muffins.

Kit Whitman paid rent of his studio.

At 8 to Green Room to conduct Shakespeare
group. King John. And its rather dull.

Talked with young fellow who makes
masks, re "At the Hawk's Well." He was
very willing to cooperate in a production.

Home at 11, cold & a "little" tired out.

1939 February 25 Saturday

up at 7:15. Very fine day.

Also I feel very well for a change.

Tom came at 7:40 and we worked
till 4:20 planting my, improving road,
& laying roofings.

Many & I came in with 2 dogs &
the sweet black puppy, who is 2c the size
he was I saw him last.

Cold dry wind came up at evening.

Made a beef stew for dinner & listened
to Tommie's farewell concert of this
NORC. season. As usual, recitation from
Spenser T & I & Siegfried's Plain Journey.
All Wayne program.

1939 February 26 Sunday

Fine weather continues.

Good health " "

Excellent breakfast & then read papers
& listened to music. Paderewski played
an hour, inc. his own music twice.
My Phil. at noon

1939 March 3 Friday

Completely played out. Too sore & tired to work, but had to spend 2 hrs. fixing lights in gallery & being bored by old fool named Lane who thought of renting it for one man show - & didn't.

DeBackh paid his rent.

many phoned.

I was too tired to cook dinner, after a 2 hr. session at city hall with the site com, so I ate at Alpine Tavern - and had Hubbard squash!! (after eating 3 nights running at home)

Shakespeare night. Nobody came, because of Pursuit of Happiness here & Mon Brown rehearsal in Monterey - a cold windy night.

The city hall meet was cold & stormy also.

1939 March 4 Saturday

Up at 7:45, still tired & not any too well.

Cincin. Conserv. played and sang Beethoven's choral fantasy in C minor. Like many of B's works, its quite good!

Roosevelt spoke well at joint session of Congress in celebration of 150th anniv. of Congress.

To village for banking & shopping, then home for the day.

Cleaned house all day, quitting at 7 pm. for a shower.

N.C. Symph Orchestra: Bruckner's 4th.

Good dinner & feel better. At noon I thought I was coming down with flu.

Herald front page story of Caltn. to new city of 6th Ave changed. Ha! ha!

Handel's 9th Concerto grosso by Wallenstein's string orch. Beautiful.

1939 March 5 Sunday

Rested again & feel fine. Also it was a lovely day, but we sure need rain.

Mary & Lou & 4 dogs came in, on way home from church, to get a door.

After lunch I washed clothes, polished the kitchen stove, etc.

Ogden has cleared out his "fixtures" too well! He took elec cords & the venetian blinds!

Great day for music: -

Radio City Ock: Concerto for orch (Vivaldi - Bach - d'Antalff)

and a fine Te Deum by Kodaly.

Philharmonia under Barbirolli: Brahms 3rd

New Friends of Music Ock under Stiedry: Haydn # 87
(newly "discovered")

Wallerstein group: St John Passion of Bach Pt 2
Ford Hour: Entrance of the Gods; Rondo from Concerto
#5 of Mozart, with 17 yr old Robert Vairova playing
solo, violin with fine & beauty; Jesus Joy of Man's
Desiring, & the March Movement of The Pathetic.

1939 March 10 Friday

Fine day. Cold Mon & eve.
up late & so skipped lunch.

Tabley affairs & bank & bills.

Dinner with 40-odd (and forty odd)
business men & women at Normandy
good turkey dinner but had to hurry
to Shakespeare reading. Only
one shaved up, so I went to hear
Pasquini Trio. Charming, esp the
Schubert trio in B flat & a Chanson
by Pierné.

1939 March 11 Saturday

at 7:15 on a greyish clear fresh
morning (Weather forecast = Unsettled with
probable rain!)

Ate breakfast with Cincinnati Conservatory.
Ordinary perf of Jupiter Lysistrata, then a
most excel. one of Handel Concerts in
Britten for viola & orch, & a lovely
Mendelssohn: Tale of the Twelve Months.

To village for brief business & back
for Pysletto, with Tibbitt a superb
jester. Also Pons & Kieffer.

Paid out on Camels 12.42, & 42.88 of promised.

1939 March 13 Monday

up at 7 on a very fine day.

Delicious corn bread (made by Mary)
with coffee & fresh eggs.

No music as Mary goes nuts when
I play it.

Nothing but income tax all day
till 5:30, when the damn report was
finally notaried & mailed. ~~Loss~~ Net
"profit" for 1938 for Mrs. Herms was
a loss of \$80.03, which with an exemption
of 2500 gave us plenty of room.
Chief losses were Catlett note rendered
useless by her bankruptcy (\$700),
sale of ^{book} stock to Griffin (at cost of 2700)
for \$900, depreciation of Camels + its
wreck with no return, increase in
taxes, & Yates 8 months behind in rent.

Well, we still eat - tho' frugally.

Mary ret to Pables.

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Talking of Lois going down to an 20-acre canyon to live, Mary said - "Oh we couldn't go anywhere without you!" which is funny as hell, considering her going to Washington to live - not to mention Carmel Valley, Mendocino, San Canyon & Poles del Rio!

Mozart's quartet in G minor played under Fern Rother's direction sounded like Schoenberg. Can there be such a dip in performance? Or was Mozart rather wooden?

Ted Cator beat up his wife this morning with a piece of iron. Nasty mess.

Hitler is cutting off his flanks into 3 pieces tonight's radio announcements.

I feel well.

Mrs. Yates, now 4 months behind, paid \$35 on account.

1939 March 14 Tuesday

Perfect day.

Worked in garden, turning over the
old sod.

City business, 7A Bldg, etc.

Argyll told Irene that Ted belongs
in asylum, so no trial.

Clay Otto has a scheme for an
art center. Important if it works.

Czechoslovakia is now extinct.
3 small states completely dominated
by Hitler. England & France very
complacent. What a world!

Letter from Esther.

1939 March 15 Wednesday

Quite warm day & evening.

79 Bldg affairs half today.

More trouble with Auburn.

Hitler's troops + Hitler take over Prague
— and Chamberlain tells his ambassador
to Berlin to ask what Hitler's intentions
are! This is the naivest thing I've
ever heard in my life.

Ted Cator taken to asylum.

Conflict with Beckdolt re police.

Council meet at 4 — and ended
at 6:10 too late for me to get a haircut.

The moving mountain has stopped.
So has the Faust theater!

1939 March 19 Sunday

After a fairly good sleep I woke at 7:30 not sick. Warm overcast morn.

Ate a light breakfast & listened to Lucia from Radio City. Rosemarie Brancato, Jan Peerce & Robert Weale. Excellent trolloid - and maybe a trolloid of Lucia is better than the whole. You get the lovely melodies without the thin spots and you don't have to see Italians in kilts.

And ~~spoke~~ of a fine broadcast by Benes.

Mary Phoned at 10. She's got a permanent & says she is very beautiful.

Philharmonie played Handel's Concerto Gross #6 in G minor with Arthur Schnabel soloist

New Friends of Music orchestra played Haydn's practically new Symph # 51 in D flat.

A fine strong editorial on front page of Chronicle: "Speak, America!" And its almost time.

March 1972

Russia & Rumania line their borders
with troops, & King Carol asks England
& France if they'll help him - & how
much.

Dug in garden, watered, & planted
beets, carrots, lettuce, minus & radishes.

Also washed clothes.

Grand Ramirey, son-in-law of Mon-Bon.
died. He got through dress rehearsal
on Wed. night & then to hospital. "The
play must go on!" Rot!

1939 March 20 Monday

Trind for hours I got bill of Ronnie
Belvair, & got 7a money collected,
& he was to meet me at 3, but didn't.
I wasted most of day on this.

No sunshine, & the Warner Studio,
making "Family Reunion", is disappointed.

Hugh Constock phoned that Park Com.
wanted F.T. plans changed — cut
back stage to give more room for
seats! put light box on stage! move
stone orchestra wall! etc. A fight
will be. I am angry & have a right
to be.

1939 March 21 Tuesday

Overcast all day, with low fog, about
rain in late afternoon & eve.

Whole day on 7A Oldy elec. Got
Belvair in afternoon & we worked till
5:20, getting Tubens fixed &
Vanderlip partly; but the Hemm
light on stair corner is still an
enigma. As the ~~handing~~ supplement
picture stones would say: "Where
does the wire come from - & what
will Best & Romine do?"

K. Whitman paid her rent. I showed
her S#4 & \$15, telling her if she
didn't take it I'd move out mats
in there & use S#2 for theater work.

1939 March 22 Wednesday

Worked in steno room & on city
affairs.

Council met \$ 4:30 to 6:15.
Passed resolution to buy road for
Polio Dept at 2,500 odd & had same
fun with Perry Parker's petition
to open 8th Ave west of San Antonio.
We also kept the Council from
there is no relief out of coming
quarantine.

Amal crowd of Men and Women at Council.
Robert Casadeson. Clean fine work.

1939 March 23 Thursday

Drizzly day, sometimes cold.

Worked clearing out store room into
old new room till Behnd showed
up & then worked with him on elec
changes in Bldg till 5. Responsible
to trace circuit to stair light + #5 apr
light, so have to run a new circuit
in pipe, costing about \$12!!

Constat showed me letter he
has written to Park Commission.

We sure have a fight on our hands,
& it's upset me greatly. Why that
group — almost wholly inexperienced
in F.T. affairs — should want to go
against a 1/4 century experience is
too much for me.

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State relies quarantine imposed
on Monterey Periwinkles.

Good Standard Aqueduct under
construction.

Hiller's triumph in kernel enough
maybe for the present at least
for awhile anyhow perhaps.

1939 March 24 Friday

up at 7:30. Cool damp morning.
Overcast all day.

Belvair promised to complete his
work this morning & didn't appear.

Cynical condemns Council & ed.
Bridgett for buying radios from L.A.
He also misinforms public on Parker's
petition & proposed entrance sign.

Kicked to K. Whitman on noise made
by Douglas School.

J.A. Work in consultation with his
board of directors on Ocean Dunes,
evidently planning to paint bank
something other than the present
shining white.

Poland refuses to join the Stop Hitler
 bloc without unconditional agreement for England
to fight if Poland invaded. And who can

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blame Poland after the lastingly
desertion of Czechoslovakia by the
British-French Tories?

Slept after lunch but due to too
much 7arts Bley, but felt better
towards evening, the some neuralgia
left.

Good Shakespeare reading. Beginning fairly,
we did Falstaff & Michaelis & ended well
with 1st half of Macbeth.

Bed at 11:45, tired & not too
hopeful of the world as Canned.

1939 March 25 Saturday

up at 8 on a drizzly morn, later
turning to an odd mix of fog & rain.

Brahms quitted & ~~de~~ Bach violin concerto
at breakfast.

Wald call from Vandenberg in
elec. & found that the Camera Club
in replacing ^{last night} a blown fuse on their
S#1 meter had removed one of the
fuses from #7! Why? Christ only
knows. It was purely a coincidence
that the toilet light was still out of
order & Belvaire hadn't kept his word
& fixed it. Poor Mrs V was without
light & heat in her shop on this
raw wet day.

And DePach is riled about the
whispering & thinks I will

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run the already for business
season.

I'll guess I'll go back to poetic
drama. This life has been too
much for me.

Gorgeous Tamboauer from
Boston Opera House (Flagstad, Thakery,
Melchior, Janssen, List, with ~~Berkley~~[?]
conducting.) Never was so good at
Metrop. Must be acoustics or sound
machinery superior, as cast etc
about the same. The orchestra also
seemed far finer.

Many feared that the Prof (at day
hospital for attention) is o.k.

Fry asked me to dinner, but I had
to hear symphony & go to 3 one act plays at

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Green Room, as several of my pupils
were taking part. Their execution
was good but they can't act. The plays
were 5th rate & very amateurish.
The Symphony (R.D.C. under Walter)
very ok reception.

Drippy rain continues.

1939 March 26 Sunday

up at 8 after - fair sleep, & feel better. Warm sweet morning, with more showers threatening, but considerable sunshine.

In Bohème (Holland) with coffee & eggs for breakfast.

Worked on papers & homework till 2, & listened to Philharmonie, under Babbelli. Schubert's 4th Symph is beautiful & fine. Reminds me in places of Mozart opera. If I ever heard it before it was not well done.

New Friends of Human Orchestra under Steidley played Haydn's Symph # 82.

Rain in afternoon

Mary came in about 5, with her new permanent. It looked a little bedraggled, but much better after she washed it.

First asparagus ^(harsh) of the season for dinner.

Long evening by the fire.

1939 March 27 Monday

Mary up at 7 & made some muffins for breakfast.

Cool damp morning turning to sunshine & showers.

To 7a Oldy at 10 & signed order for City's purchase of police radios.

Helped Rellie with shoe repairs.

Got a black silk dress with red embroidery for Mary at Vietnamese Shop. \$45 but seller made it \$35, which is \$35 more than we can afford.

Saw Jackson & we called off planning group's meet tonight.

Lunch with Mary at home & then to Monterey to see Pickins. She was right enough to be brought home - minus her sex.

Mary went on back to Pueblo, with

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Pinkies in a box covered with
cork slats.

To village & met Mrs. Giffins again
& saw John Chase of Haranville.
Got the \$40 sent from Jack for \$20
(charged).

Leidenius came up to say he
was back from Chicago.

Frank Murphy, new attorney general,
spoke at 7. Beginning tentatively, he ended
very well.

Scrambled eggs & spread for dinner.

Madrid is falling, in spite of
no peace terms. The end is pitiful.
And Chamberlain (even U.S.) will
pay heavily in the months & years
to come, for the vile & hideous game
of non-intervention.

1939 March 28 Tuesday

Heavy overcast morning.

Mary found at 10 that she was going to
Ref. with her instead of coming in to go
with me, as we had arranged. This upset
me very much, as I had neglected most
of the things we had to do yesterday ~~and~~
because of her dress & the party, fully
expecting to have today to go over everything.
But her is a leech: she simply will
not let Helena go ^{anywhere} if she can help it,
unless she goes with her. Considering
that she is with her 24 hrs a day for
9 days out of 10, it's hogish if not worse.

Hitter is now stirring up trouble in
Poland. When will Chamberlain & his
gang of fertility actors wake up?

Supreme Court has made it possible to
tax govt salaries & state employees.

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from radio news: Franco's troops
enter Madrid & its all over. I wish
there was a hell — just for Chamberlain.

I don't feel at all well, physically
or mentally.

1939 March 29 Wednesday

Cold foggy day.

Waked at home all day till 5,
then to City Hall for conf. with Library
Board.

Found that Church was hoping to get
part of White Cedars property, & then
it came out that all members of
Council were for White Cedars staying
for City Hall except Kellogg!! Funny
they didn't come out with it before!

So I'll work on it some more.

Dole said spoke in favour (Pacific),
more definitely than Mussolini; but
why can't statesmen say just what they
mean when the white race is at stake?

I am sick, but what is the matter
I don't know.

1939 March 30 Thursday

Fine warm day.

up early & worked at home till 10 when
Anderson phoned just at the moment I
went to phone him, & we talked about
Whitcedars.

Later I got Maudsley & we went on
to see Anderson, after discussing various
matters esp Whitcedars & Sander as
City Clerk. Anderson was just leaving so
we accomplished nothing further.

Cleaned car, aired clothing, talked
with Finber re bird plays.

Sind came up & we worked at Camels.
Home at 5:30 for Synch & Town Hall.

Standard Synch later. Klempfer & La.
Shil in Negroes Synch in E flat major.
Turned out lights & sat in moonlight &
listen to its loveliness. And The
Finbird wonderfully played

1939 June 29 Thursday

Mary phoned about 9:30 & said she'd come in tomorrow morning to stay over.

Sun. came out in late morning & gave us the first pleasant day in over a week.

H. S. Wilson was found dead in bed this morning & Susan Meyer Geyer died in an S.F. hospital this morning. The first a great humanist & dilettante of American character; the latter a cultured lady in a true sense, and a very fair poet.

I mildly rebuked David for not changing wheels & bullets for one of spray gun. He'll do so from now on.

He advises against cutting down Arthur for a truck.

Roasted some beef for dinner.

Standard Symp under Montross. Border
symp. & The Mullane.
Sleets well again.

1939 June 30 Friday

Feeling all right again, I worked at 7900 till noon.

Entered a suit to O. Cone for Bill at his request - but really so he could keep in touch with the village of his birth.

High fog returns.

2 1/2 hr conf with city attorney on new zoning ordinance, and tax ordinance, hoping to bring about payment in 2 installments instead of one & at times distant from county payments.

Many came in after lunch.

We had a pleasant simple dinner & a delightful evening.

Mawdsley & Van Riper appointed by force to high school board.

1939 July 1 Saturday

up early. Cold fog.

At 9:30 to Monterey & out from new
wharf in admiral's gig with other officials
& met Admiral Forde Todd and Captain
Jules James on Cruiser Philadelphia.
Best looking warship I've ever seen.
Narrow, graceful lines, with a high
sloping fore deck. She's one of the new
fast cruisers.

To Colton Hall, then, & received the
officers' return visit with Keays of Monterey.

There was a heavy ground swell & we
had to jump high & quick to get
aboard.

While in Monterey I looked at Studabaker
car & required 2 trucks. Returning
to Carmel I tried out ^{Joe} Pennyp's new Studabaker
truck. It's a dandy.

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Found a Blue Bird for first time
since Pearl took it over from Mrs. Sampson.

Fraser, DePach, Hemon & Vanderly
paid rent.

Gave Mary \$3.5 for Trisak.

Mary had not to Robles when I got home
from Monterey.

Looked over new hanging & art
room gallery.

"Are you going to school next year?"

"Hell, no! I see only free!" replied
the little Ricketts boy.

Baked the chunk of fresh salmon I
got on the old wharf for dinner, & to bed
early, weary but well.

1939 July 2 Sunday

up at 8 on a dull dipping, warm.
Rain, I suppose, of a thin quality

Worked all day on apcs & papers.
Not a trace of sunshine.

Marion Anderson spoke beautifully
in reply to Mrs. Roosevelt's speech
presenting medal to the great contracts.

Tchaikovsky's 5th symphony.

Dark Victory on pass to Lamm Theatre.
Betty Davis ~~did~~ a marvellous piece of
acting & the production was excellent —
but ~~now~~! how terrible. Like ghosts.

1939 July 3 Monday

Sunshine at last, after 10 a.m.

Worked at Bldg, fixing elec fan
& lights, & at home till 5, when I
stopped to listen to Coolidge & broadcasting
from the Fair. Donany's Serenade #10,
a trio, so one violin took a rest.

Radio tonight says Russia declines
England's offer to guarantee Baltic states
& Holland & Belgium. I begin to think
Russia has been tricking the Tony
Gov't. They richly deserve it — but
it's hell for the rest of England & the
whole decent world. Hitler & Muss-
olini & Japan will be greatly encouraged.

And our neutrality law plays right
into their hands.

God damn!

1939 July 4 Tuesday

To Monterey for parade at 10 a.m.
Admiral Todd, Capt. James, Col. Gummier,
McMerran & I in reviewing stand.

Then to upper parade ground in
Piedras for formal opening of C MTC
camp & presentation of colors.

Then luncheon on camp — and
a fine lunch it was. Felt very
at the best arcades & gourmet salad & even
etc.

Back to Larned & then at 3:30 to
city wharf & out to cruiser in gig.
Good party, & particularly good look
over upper towers under guidance
of a charming & fine young ensign
(Lincoln Marcy). I told him his

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be in command someday. He will, too,
of the lives.

Party over to 6 & back to tunnel.

Took Juice to bank above beach
& watched fireworks. Car stuck
in sand & Joe Perry pushed me
out with his new starter.

Back to Frys & drank Tequila
with Sally & Jill & a young man.

Very heavy low fog all evening.

1939 July 5 Wednesday

Reg. monthly meet of City Council,
at 7:45 p.m. Large stack of warrants
to sign. I got action on Oliver's
non-payment of business licenses.
This been pulling the City's leg too
long. Also I asked why both cops
on beach last week had to go for
help instead of one staying to assist
the boy who was receiving the 2 girls.

Rents paid after noon of Sat 1 July
couldn't be deposited till today as to
been a 4 day holiday.

Imbens, Fraser, DeBackh, Heenan
& Vanderlip made a good deposit.
Yates n.f. She asked if I'd thought
of reducing rents while times so
bad. It'd been impossible ok

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new financing of building which
requires payments monthly on
principal.

Kay the Potter put a huge packing
case in main court which caused
the Adams much annoyance. —
& they me.

1939 July 6 Thursday

Tried out Studebaker Champion
with George & didn't like it much.

Standard Symp & then to movies.
Saw most of *Within the Law* & *Being*
Only in East Side of Heaven - with
the most adorable baby ever yet
on a stage.

1939 July 7 Friday

City insurance confabs & at \$
a meeting of Council & open bids.
So many bids on different bases that
I got a bit severe & stated that
next year would put on our specif-
ications & all would bid on exactly
the same thing.

Movies (quest of theatre) 8:45 to
12! Double bills are an outrage —
but both were good. Bob Hope &
Martha Raye in Never Say Day. Was
very funny. Stage Coach had some
fine desert South West pictures &
fair acting.

1939 July 8 Saturday

Got uprights for new storehouse
shelves & Dick notched them at his
shop.

Trind out Peo truck, not for me.

Young man drowned in ocean;
his companion rescued by Jim
Thohurn. Binney Adams disagreed
with Paul Mercurio about getting
a boat. I'm going to investigate this.
Everything should be done, even if
some of it is later found useless.

1939 July 9 Sunday

Fog all day.

Worked at home till 1:30, then
Came & to hear rehearsal of
orchestra for Bach Festival.

Got 2 season tickets.

No good radio music except a
Handel song & concertos.

Many showed. Shell came in Tuesday.

James told that there was some good music
in Broadway Serenade, so I went — & felt
the tending, expansive, luscious humors of
Hollywood!

Fortunately I caught the Mozart concertos
for clarinet & strings on the radio when I got
home.

1939 July 10 Monday

Slept badly. Upset digestion. Why?
I've eaten the best & simplest food.
Maybe it was watching Jeannette Mac-
donald try to be charming last night.

Dull & overcast morning

Lunch at Alpine Tavern with Laurie.

Confab with Hudson & Mansley on city
insurance at 4.

Council meet at 5, & we awarded
insurance. Morhouse got the fleet &
~~Hartford~~ The Council "group" got the balance.

Considerable discussion re beach
safeguards & informal meet called for
tomorrow.

Planted more veg on bank & quit
a long day's work at 7:40 & fixed a
good supper of pork chops, ~~last~~ coffee

1939 July 11 Tuesday
up at 7 on the standard foggy
morning.

Housecleaning all day, except for
some time spent trying out International
truck & Plymouth coupe with Mary, who
came in at noon from Robles.

Cut meeting of Council & Park Com
on beach safeguards.

Dinner at home with Mary & a lay
evening by the beach.

1939 July 12 Wednesday
up early & to Monterey with Mary
to try Dodge & Chevrolet cars.

Home for lunch. Mary cooked
a cottage pudding.

She ~~ret~~ to Robles in afternoon.

1939 July 13 Thursday

To Monterey in morning with
Lindemuth, & tried out Dodge &
Chevrolet again.

Then I decided not to get any car
at all till later, as the new models
will be 1940 & this will make all
thirty cars seem old. Also I could
go east & get a car at little expense,
considering dip in cost - freight.
Also I have no money sure, above
essential expenses.

Standard Synch in evening.

1939 July 14 Friday

Mary phoned that I wanted to hear
the Monday concert, so she'll come
in with me & go back same night.
That saves her staying all night.

Finally got Roberts to clear up Miss
Fark's property.

To ~~Montgomery~~ P.G. with Kellogg & Wells
to inspect the new carved wood statue
of Franciscan friar made for city
under W.P.A. art project. Rather fine
striking & good except the hands.

Listened for 2 hrs to rehearsal of
Bach Festival Orchestra under Weigle.

Crunk dinner at home & to bed early.
Lippin's Funeral March broadcast
from Richmond Hall.

Good talk by Solicitor General Jackson, from
Commonwealth Club, on New Deal & Roosevelt 2nd term

1939 July 15 Saturday

Up early & worked all morning on bank statements. And mailed sales tax report & check for 22 cents, the 7A being rather quiet last quarter.

Proctor's screen & window cake for Annick.

Back rehearsal - all stops this time - & very nice. Best orchestral work yet in the 5 seasons.

Called on Mrs. [redacted], Bill's landlady in Fresno, who is building a cottage here just above F.T.!

New tenant (Hathenruff) is doing fairly well, to my surprise. And Steller has a lovely green & white modern.

1939 July 16 Sunday

1939 July 20 Thursday

Fine warm day ending in a not blue
cloudless night.

Lecture at 11 in Forest Auditorium by
Alfred Frankenstein on Bach's chamber music,
organ music & Schubert & Paganini. He spoke further -
nearly of Jesus, of Man's Dignity which I detest.
Raspberries for lunch - and that's about all.

1939 July 21 Friday
Went 7 on a clear warm morning
May Band shed be in Sunday at 5.
Alfred Frankenstein's lecture on the
Brunn mass at 11.

Lunch at Blue Bird

~~Rehearsal~~ of Bach all afternoon, to which
I listened, mostly Tommaso's myrt's program

Light dinner at home & at 7:30
again to hear rehearsal of Brunn
mass.

Almost had a row with Beckett
over further appropriations for Police -
this time \$300 to 500 to pay special
council to fight a minor traffic case!
I told him no.

1939 July 22 Saturday

Alternate fog & sun.

Worked in yard at home & at 7 A.M. till 2; then pulled an afternoon car & to hear rehearsal of Bach at Harvard Auditorium. C major overture, concerto for Violin & orchestra (C major), concerto for 2 pianos & orchestra (D minor) & Schubert & Paganini.

Good dinner at home & at 7:30 to pick up Dorothy Stephenson & to Bach concert. Troulous played as usual 8 - & 8:30. The concert, most of which I'd heard in rehearsals, was sweet & fine. Oris Ballard was noble in the violin concerto.

Pictures taken with Usigli (the conductor) afterwards.

1939 July 23 Sunday

Fine day. Up early.

Burned rubbish, cleaned house, worked
on new shelves in add. to studio.

Several good concerts broadcast.

Haydn's D in E flat major; Schubert's
lovely Faellen not greatly sung by Phila
Philo; Mozart's D in G minor for piano
& strings

1939 July 27 Thursday

at 7. Fine day.

Brief shelves in studio add.

at noon met Billy Anderson to see
minutes for lunch at Rotary Club meet.
More Re-Announcement leaders present
who made short talks.

Paid FSA installment & deposited
\$30 to his a/c.

at 7:45 to Sunset & set on stage
with WRA group before a packed house
for 2 hrs. Every seat & steps & extensions
filled & many standing! I spoke very
briefly (in low soft tones!) in microphone,
introducing chairman of the evening &
also read Bennett's message to WRA ~~meeting~~
meeting in Washington. The wife of a
British business man spoke charmingly,
the Burmese lady was most idiosyncratic,

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all but one, were duly sincere.
Paula & Dennis was on my left & while
waiting for meeting to begin I had a
little chat with her on the subject of
Pentecost when she was born. This
time she somewhat acknowledged it.
Maybe Mr. R. has helped her truthfulness.
She told me in Ky. she'd
never been there!

Anyhow she made a good speech
& her voice was warm & gracious.
I told her she spoke beautifully.

The trouble with Mr. R. is the trouble
with all moral & religious movements -
they are applied by only some of the
people part of the time. The Golden
Rule would make a new world in short
order if everyone used it all the time.

1939 July 28 Friday

up at 7:30 on a damp morning, which later became bright & clear & warm.

Painted shelves in studio add. till one, then to village & lunch at La Pibara.

Checked traffic problems at P. O. corner & with Dick requested Jean Cator to have mail box moved back from corner.

Didn't go to closing exercises of CMTC, the sparsely invited by Col. O'Reilly, as I've had all the official affairs I can swallow for a bit.

Short talk with Alvin Kestling & Mackenzie (the pianist).

Home at 5 & listened to Cassin French hymn from Palmwood Dell.

Gave a small book to little boy next door whose birthday it is. He was very proud to be 5 yrs. old.

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Settled line of back fence at F.T.
for W.P. & workers.

To Camels & found another leak.

Many showed. Shall be in Tuesday.

Japan is pretty mad at U.S. for dropping
trade treaty. England is pleased but regrets
we didn't let her know sooner that we
would as she might have been firm
with Japan in that case. That's a just
complaint — unless one thinks that
England's surrender was unthinkable.

1939 July 29 Saturday

up early & worked hard - long on
shelves in addition to studio & stored
a lot of 1x20-14. I was quite tired when
I got through at 6:30.

only one release for a short time,
for food, mail, etc.

Hudson found that Bank of Canada
in ~~financing~~ ^{financing} radio buys by City for 2500+
wanted 6%, and 2% discount from
manufacturers! Hudson was furious,
and wanted to finance through another
bank. ~~Stones~~ pretty lucky of Charley.

1939 July 30 Sunday

Warm day, partly overcast.

Up at 7 & worked most of day washing clothes, cooking, putting things away and measuring & fixing on more shelves.

Several ordinary radio concerts, best of which was Chetana Singh in Nagat's concert for flute & orch with George Barrere as soloist.

Many phones in morning.

I didn't go to village at all, for a change. Assoc. oil tankers arrived in S.F. after rescue of our 200 japs left in lifeboats after their ship, the Bokayo Maru, had burned & exploded.

1939 July 31 Monday

Lunched at Blue Bird & then
to Herman's office to meet with him
- arrived for a long discussion
of our going advance.

Took Lince to see Quarry at
Cannon Throat. Excellent mine but
a tuff flat in spots.

19 39 August 1 Tuesday

Worked at home till noon, when
Mary came in.

Then to P. J. & we bought some towels
& quilts (& a light coat for me).

Also fresh salmon which we had
for dinner.

Mary was rather on defensive &
I referred to Washington, where I said
that since then I considered an
average a month's month's journey &
not a reversal of lease - which annoyed
her.

1939 August 2 Wednesday

Mary & I went to Tabley & did some planting
& cultivating & watering.

Heller rushed out with the news about
E & shouted & excitedly to the world,
which made me furiously disgusted.
I never knew her good for anything but
of decent reserve.

To Monterey with Mary for chicken
feed, dog-frightener - from fancy-birds,
& to get ext. from French for city
show case for museum model.

Mary ret to Ribbles in afternoon.
Fire flow is almost ready for concrete
paving at F.T.

1939 August 3 Thursday

Major refugee woman played piano very
delightfully at Adolf Teicherts'.
met Irvin Shaw.

Several symph. broadcasts.

after standard hour I went down to
school for last 1/2 of reading by Alice's group.
Alice has graciously given up Tuesdays
in future to my Shakespeare group & will take
Wednesday.

1939 August 4 Friday

Worked at home till 10:30 when
my son came in, when we emptied
sewage can & trimmed fire tree in
front of Yates shop & hauled to incinerator.

At 2 Mawdsley came for us & we
drove down to Pfeiffer State Park at Oriskany
Dam & looked over outdoor theater &
swimming pool & went up river toward gorge.

Saw otters not visible to me, tho said
to be in the hole.

Discussed city affairs with Peter, esp.
his prospects of being next city clerk.

Home at 5:30 (in the fog again!)

1939 August 5 Saturday

Slept badly & not very well today.

Ate sparingly & spent most of day
running around the village on tenant,
city & stock business.

Stopped in at Kellogg's, Millis', ^{Stephens'} Lloyd's &
Cowan Jackman's. Cowan has a very charming
home, bright & fresh & sweet. I was
amazed. Fine view of Sobow Valley.

Got several new Phoebe readers.

Packed my prize Romance Letterhead
& showed it proudly before putting it away.

Had a long talk at Monterey to Bank
with Hudson the P.O. Building Inspector
+ Obermeyer + Burrows. The last across
S-E. cor. 7th & Lincoln & will build for
P.O. It's an excellent location.

Toscanini & Lucerne orchestra in Schubert's
2d Symphony at noon.

Cool breezy day with no sun

1939 August 6 Sunday

Worked at desk all morning — and it was a real foggy morning.

Many thanked me to suggest putting out water for the baby guinea, which I did.

All afternoon at dog show at Del Monte. Excellent show, considering the rabies quarantine.

Cooks not so good as last year, but the Irish setters were beautiful. I began to leave that way.

2 Mozart Symphonies, but not much else worth while.

1929 August 7 Monday

1939 August 8 Tuesday

Overcast morning & evening.

City affairs, vision model carpet.

To "lecture" (in big studio) by Professor
Gidro of Hungary, charming sculptress.
Von Salza, there, said his brother his
infantile paralysis. I wonder he could
be there!

1st meet of Camel Shakespeare Co. for
the new season. Read 1st Part of J.C.
15 present, inc. Kirsten, Connie Bell &
Carol Veezie.

1939 August 9 Wednesday

Overcast & dull.

Hunting for films of photos to use at Fair.

Confer with Hudson on taxes & zoning.

Midweek lunch at Blue Bird.

City Council - reg. mo. meet - at 7:45
Signed warrants & approved Wardens as
auditors for 1938 books.

To Monterey at 8:15 to see Tobacco
Road. First perf. play I've seen since
Torrance, I think!

It was utterly sad & hopeless &
very cheap theater in spots. Also ill.

And the management was disgustingly
inefficient for handling the capacity house.

1939 August 10 Thursday

Overcast till 10 & then bright & clear.

All day on petty affairs of city, 7 Arts,
Fair Photos, etc etc. Dancer.

Saw the coveys of young quail with their
mother - but only 3 are left.

Six fish given & I gave away five,
mostly to George Whitehead - who offered
to clean & filet my fish with his,
which was very sensible & thoughtful.

Many thanked.

Quater Wedding Lunch & Vaux's Wharf
& Entrance of Yorks on Standard Hour.

Jugoslavia not quite willing to be
used by Hitler & Mussolini as a road
to Panama.

1939 August 11 Friday

Friday.

all morning on city affairs.

afternoon, Pickens tried to sell me
a used Pontiac for \$625. I drove out
to see, & we went to Giffins
who said 11,700 mileage was not true,
& that car had been in a wreck.

Lewis finally made to find film
of L.H. photo - best F.T. picture ever
taken.

First show at Foy's.

Double feature at Camel "Jensia"
light comedy - a Caperscom of a Nazi
spy - very illuminating and rather
humble.

After 12 when I got to bed.

1939 August 12 Saturday

Warm clear day.

up at 8, a little tired. Worked on shelves.

Fresh white figs & cream with some of the
Corkis Wasy made last time she was here.

1st reading rehearsal (J.C. & "Melusis")
at Art Institute. Only 6 present but we
had a complete cast - mostly good - for
the Shakespeare arrangement.

Gutierrez came in just at close, &
seemed pleased. He also asked me to
take over Chris's classes for a month.

Made a pan of whole wheat muffins
& a stew.

Talked with Campbell about giving
Ophelia for the \$150 he owes me.

1939 August 19 Saturday

1929 August 20 Sunday

Last night I had a ghastly dream.
up at 7:30 on a wet morning. I think
it actually rained for a few minutes -
which is a great help in fighting the
fires in the hills.

Part of Dan Phemys' from Beagunth.
Good Friday music by CBS orchestra.

1939 August 22 Tuesday

up at 7. Wet morning, heavy fog & touch of rain. Warm. No sun all day.

Beck phoned early (for him!) and tried to change my stand on budget. Failing, he threatened to blow it all open to the press. This would be a sure victory for my opinion & I told him so.

Later we met by chance on the street she was sweet as minced pie, accepted everything.

Confab with Mervinsky.

Got into trouble with DeBack over toilet attentions.

Excellent lunch at Normandy - ~~first~~ ~~best~~ lunch in days & I certainly needed it.

Informal meet of Council (with attorney & accountant present) at Hudsons office.

Aug 22 p 2

cut \$1850 from police budget, 100
from soca, 700 from parks playgrounds
& arranged for heavy cuts in fire
& streets.

The playground cut, which I wanted out
with ~~Carson~~ Jackson, was a crime, as
it jeopardizes Forest Theater. However,
that had to be done. We can't spend
60 000 when we only get 53 000.

Katterhorn gave a good talk on
the frightful European crisis.

Joe Ambers looked Henry Armstrong
& so we back lightweight title.

Shakespeare group at 8 at St 2.
Evan present, & William Borth as Mrs. Buckley
& Pellins as Sir Hugh Evans read excellently
& was very wise - first Bacto.

Kit paid rent of Institute

1939 August 23 Wednesday

Damp overcast morning.

England seems to be firm in her support of Poland. But I'll feel sure when she does something.

Washed clothes in morning, then to village on city business.

Coupled into Kent Whitman's day at the building for Oak Institute in Carmel Woods.

No time for lunch except some plums.

Board of Equal. meet at 3.

Adams says Beck has blown up again. He didn't appear at meeting.

Council meet 4 to 5:30. Set tax rate at 1.0.0 (first reading of ordinance) & blenny at .18, the I fought for .17 - but 3 against me.

Aug 23 p 2

Arranged for license advance at
next meet. Signed 3 warrants, inc.
my \$100 Mayor's fund, which required
a new resolution as it was still
in Thoburn's name.

This meet concludes nearly 2 weeks
continued campouts & meets on city
business & must hold the city for
a while. Were all more to a frazzle.

Home at 6 — and heard that
German-Russian non-aggression pact
has just been signed! So Communism
joins with Nazism! It is ghastly
and incredible — but true. And
now what of England & France?

O Chamberlain! O Dooley!

O Hitler! O Stalin!

O Hell!

Aug 23 p. 3

Many showed at noon to say what he
in Friday.

I had a good (2 sheep) dinner at home.

Mr. Searns showed to ask me to "bargain"
at La. Rebecca tomorrow night for construction
workers.

Concrete all poured ^{now} ~~yesterday~~ at
F.D. for walls & beams & curb slabs,
so to a great flat covered by
sun grill about 50 x 80+ feet.

I wonder what will become of the
world - including the Fair Theater?

1939 August 24 Thursday

Up at 5:30 & hear Chamberlain
broadcast - but I was only a transcript
& not with it.

Warm clear day & night, & I
accomplished a lot, tho half sick.

Bldg affairs & city affairs.

Teaching arrangements & inc. conf.
with Getsinger.

Washed clothes.

Collected De Pack rent.

Bulletins & talks all day on air.

Voluntary evacuation of Paris began.

"Banquet" given by Mrs. Lovers at
Le Riben Hotel for workers in disposal
plant construction. Left before dessert
to take over class in Modern Drama.
5 Oursany plays. Good attendance

1939 August 25 Friday

up at 7 after a restless night,
inc. a severe cramp in left calf.

Fine warm day. Don't feel at all
well, in spite of the lovely weather.

Many came in at 10:30 & later
went to P.G. & watered at Camels.

Daladin spoke at 12, & is
apparently firm.

Cleaned house, Mary working
with me.

Dorothy Thompson made good talk,
and nobody knows what will happen
— even Hitler?

At 5 Mary & I went over to the
old Governor Morris house in
Manitowish, where we were invited to

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a tree by Tom Work & family who
now live there.

Allen Griffin, then with his 2nd wife,
gave me the news of Beckdolt's resign-
ation from the Council.

Returning home at 6:30 I read
the Herald. Beck resigned Thursday
& it was kept quiet so Herald could
make a survey - which showed
a majority in favor of police repletion
& a large majority against Vollmer's
report. Beck was very unfair in
his published statement, implying
that I cut police to save \$8 for F.T.
which was not only false but if
true would have been with his consent!
many out to Public before dark.

1939 August 26 Saturday
up at 7 & ate a light breakfast.
Warm & clear weather.

Severe pain in heart or throat
after breakfast, lasting an hour or
more & mildly much longer.

Much village talk against Beck,
esp. for holding his story for the
Monterey paper till after the 2 local
meetings were out.

Bill arrived at 12:30, well
& fine & happy. His working very
good in his job.

He went off to see his various
friends in the afternoon, while I
attended to some city biz & then from
3 to 5 I held my Shakespeare rehearsal.

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For dinner I got green corn & a
porterhouse steak - both great favorites
with Bill. Remained lettuce & Phil's
cheese & with fresh made mayonnaise -
& a qt bottle of milk for Bill. We
had a fine dinner, during which
Mushannon (Bill's "landlady") came
to call.

Then Bill went up to the ranch
for the rest of the evening.

Mary showed at 6 & said hello
to Bill.

Prime von Passim made a strong ^{anti-hygi}
& somewhat ironical speech, rather terrible
to hear.

Maudsley frankly disappointed in
Beckholt.

1939 August 27 Sunday

up at 7:30 for music, but the
news in European tension -
frequent news bulletins mixed it
up.

Had breakfast at 8:45 and
Bill & fixed a good breakfast for
him. He is very calm & seemingly
quite happy & rather like Fresno
as well as his work. He is a very
dear boy — they don't come any
finer, cleaner & more normally
modern American.

He went to Pebble Beach to watch
the finals in the State Championship.

I stayed at home to listen to the
news, but at 10:30 I turned to the

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Salsburg Wine Festival, I heard
the first out of Don Giovanni, with
its so beautiful La ci darem be
nemo.

Quite a relief from the ghastly
war atmosphere. However, if I
were a Pole I'd shut as soon fight
& die as submit & die slowly.